Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 2600, Terrorism Risk Insurance Act.

The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 327, Small Business Paperwork Relief Act—clearing the measure for the President.

The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3275, Terrorist Bombings Convention Implementation Act—clearing the measure for the President.

The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4560, Auction Reform Act of 2002—clearing the measure for the President.

The House Committee on Rules reported a resolution, H. Res. 449, to establish the Select Committee on Homeland Security.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$5643-\$5720

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2631–2642, and S. Res. 287.

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Measures Passed:

Terrorism Risk Insurance Act: By 84 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. 157), Senate passed S. 2600, to ensure the continued financial capacity of insurers to provide coverage for risks from terrorism, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages \$5643-50, \$5662, \$5656-59, \$5662-63, \$5664-73 Adopted:

Dodd	Amendment	No.	3872,	to	make	certain
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Dodd	Amendment	No.	3874,	to	make	certain
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Dodd	Amendment	No.	3875,	to	make	certain
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Dodd	Amendment	No.	3878,	to	make	certain
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Dodd	Amendment	No.	3879,	to	make	certain
modifications.					Pages	S5665-66

	Dodd	Amendment	No.	3881,	to	make certain
modifications.						Pages S5665-66
	Dodd	Amendment	No.	3883,	to	make certain
modifications.						Pages S5665-66
	Dodd	Amendment	No.	3884,	to	make certain
modifications.						Pages S5665-66
	Dodd	Amendment	No.	3885,	to	make certain
modifications.						Pages S5665-66
	Dodd	Amendment	No.	3886,	to	make certain
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	Dodd	Amendment	No.	3887,	to	make certain
modifications.						Pages S5665-66
	Dodd	Amendment	No.	3889,	to	make certain
modifications.						Pages S5665-66
	Dodd	Amendment	No.	3890,	to	make certain
	modifications.					Pages S5665-66

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following actions:

By 65 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 156), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the bill. Pages \$5646–47

The Chair sustained a point of order that Brownback Amendment No. 3843, to prohibit the patentability of human organisms, was not germane, and the amendment was ruled out of order.

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Subsequently, Ensign Amendment No. 3844 (to Amendment No. 3843), to prohibit the patentability

of human organisms, fell when Brownback Amendment No. 3843 was ruled out of order.

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Pending motion to close further debate on Brownback Amendment No. 3843 (listed above), fell when Brownback Amendment No. 3843 was ruled out of order. Pages \$5643-49

The Chair sustained a point of order that Specter Amendment No. 3862, to provide for procedures for civil actions, was not germane post cloture, and the amendment was ruled out of order.

Pages S5656-59, S5662-63, S5664-65

Auction Reform Act: Senate passed H.R. 4560, to eliminate the deadlines for spectrum auctions of spectrum previously allocated to television broadcasting, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Daschle (for Ensign/Kerry/Stevens) Amendment No. 3893, in the nature of a substitute.

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American Society of Civil Engineers 150th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 104, recognizing the American Society of Civil Engineers on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of its founding and for the many vital contributions of civil engineers to the quality of life of the people of the United States, including the research and development projects that have led to the physical infrastructure of modern America.

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American Society of Civil Engineers 150th Anniversary: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 387, recognizing the American Society of Civil Engineers for reaching its 150th Anniversary and for the many vital contributions of civil engineers to the quality of life of our Nation's people including the research and development projects that have led to the physical infrastructure of modern America. Pages \$5719-20

Congratulating Detroit Red Wings Hockey Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 287, congratulating the Detroit Red Wings on winning the 2002 National Hockey League Stanley Cup Championship and again bringing the Cup home to Hockeytown.

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Measures Indefinitely Postponed:

National Defense Authorization Act: H.R. 2586, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

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Radio Free Afghanistan Act: S. 1779, to authorize the establishment of "Radio Free Afghanistan".

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National Defense Authorization Act: Senate began consideration of S. 2514, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, June 19, 2002.

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Port and Maritime Security Act: Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to S. 1214, to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to establish a program to ensure greater security for United States seaports, agreed to the House request for a conference, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Hollings, Inouye, Kerry, Breaux, Wyden, Cleland, Boxer, McCain, Stevens, Lott, Hutchison, Snowe, and Smith (OR); and for matters in Section 108 of the House amendment and Sections 112 and 115 of the Senate bill: Senators Graham and Grassley.

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Treaties Approved: The following treaties having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolutions of ratification were agreed to:

Optional Protocol No. 1 to Convention on Rights of the Child on Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict Treaty Doc. 106–37(A) with five understandings and three conditions; and

Optional Protocol No. 2 to Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography Treaty Doc. 106–37(B) with one reservation, six understandings, one declaration, and one condition. Pages \$5716–19

Appointments:

U.S. Air Force Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy: Senators Allard (At Large), Cleland (designated by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, Craig (from the Committee on Appropriations—reappointment), and Hollings (from the Committee on Appropriations—reappointment).

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U.S. Naval Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy: Senators Cochran (from the Committee on Appropriations), McCain

(designated by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services), Mikulski (from the Committee on Appropriations), and Sarbanes (At Large). Page S5719

U.S. Military Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy: Senators DeWine (from the Committee on Appropriations reappointment), Landrieu (from the Committee on Appropriations—reappointment), Reed (designated by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services), and Santorum (At Large). Page S5719

Bill Referral—Agreement: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1272, to assist United States veterans who were treated as slave laborers while held as prisoners of war by Japan during World War II, and was then referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Enrolled Bills Signed—Agreement: A unanimousconsent agreement was reached providing that Senator Reid be authorized to sign an enrolled bill.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United

Transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Homeland Security Act of 2002"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (PM-92)

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Authority for Committees to Meet: Page S5716

Privilege of the Floor: Page S5716

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today.

(Total—157) Pages S5646, S5669

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:30 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, June 19, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5720).

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill, to improve quality and transparency in financial reporting and independent audits and accounting services for public companies, to create a Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, to enhance the standard setting process for accounting practices, to strengthen the independence of firms that audit public companies, to increase corporate responsibility and the usefulness of corporate financial disclosure, to protect the objectivity and independence of securities analysts, and to improve Securities and Exchange Commission resources and oversight.

SPORTS PERFORMANCE-ENHANCEMENT DRUG USE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism concluded hearings to examine steroid use in professional baseball and anti-doping issues in amateur sports, after receiving testimony from Jerry Limited Partnership/Arizona Colangelo, AZPB Diamondbacks, Phoenix; Donald M. Fehr, Major League Baseball Players Association, and Robert D. Manfred, Jr., Major League Baseball, both of New York, New York; Frank Shorter, United States Anti-Doping Agency, Boulder, Colorado; Greg Schwab, Tigard High School, Vancouver, Washington; and Bernard Greisemer, Springfield, Missouri.

PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded hearings on S. 198, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance through States to eligible weed management entities to control or eradicate harmful, nonnative weeds on public and private land, S. 1846, to prohibit oil and gas drilling in Finger Lakes National Forest in the State of New York, S. 1879, to resolve the claims of Cook Inlet Region, Inc., to lands adjacent to the Russian River in the State of Alaska, S. 2222, to resolve certain conveyances and provide for alternative land selections under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act related to Cape Fox Corporation and Sealaska Corporation, S. 2471, to provide for the independent investigation of Federal wildland firefighter fatalities, and S. 2482, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to grant to Deschutes and Crook Counties in the State of Oregon a right-of-way to